

**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

10/814,765

Examiner

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**-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--**

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed 04 January 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-9, 11-19 and 21-28.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)           |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____ |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment                              |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br>of Biological Material          | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance  |
|   | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   |

## DETAILED ACTION

### *Allowable Subject Matter*

1. Claims 2-9, 11-19 and 21-28 are allowable.
2. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of

allowable subject matter:

Claims 2-9, 11-19 and 21-28 are allowable because the prior art, particularly Whitman [U.S. Patent No. 5,909,504], Volkov et al. [U.S. Patent No. 6,839,647] (hereafter Volkov), Giel et al. [U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0169734] (hereafter Giel), McGeer et al. [U.S. Patent No. 6,244,121] (hereafter McGeer) and Brayton et al. [U.S. Patent No. 6,823,280] (hereafter Brayton) fail to teach or suggest a computer-readable medium having computer-executable components, comprising:

a test method executor that is arranged to receive the request and invoke the requested test method by evaluating attributes that are associated with the requested test method before execution of the requested test method, to execute the requested test method, to evaluate attributes of the executed test method, to process data that is presented by the attributes that are associated with the requested test method, and to return a result to the test harness that signals the result of the evaluation of the executed test method attributes.

Whitman, Volkov, Giel, McGeer and Brayton also fail to teach or suggest a computer-readable medium having computer-executable components (or method), comprising:

a test method executor that is arranged to receive the request and invoke the requested test method by evaluating attributes that are associated with the requested test method before execution of the requested test method, to execute the requested test method, to evaluate attributes of the executed test method, to return a result to the test harness that signals a status that results when an exception is thrown, and to return a result to the test harness that signals the result of the evaluation of the executed test method attributes.


### ***Conclusion***

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Felix Suarez, whose telephone number is (571) 272-2223. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marc Hoff can be reached on (571) 272-2216. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300 for regular communications and for After Final communications.

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